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# THE New POPISH Sham-PLOT discovered:

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## The Curſed CONTRIVANCE of the Earl of *Danby*, Mris. *Celier*, the Popiſh LORDS, and Prieſts in the *Tower* and *Newgate*, (in Villanouſly ſuborning Witneſſes to prove that Sir *Edmundbury-Godfrey* wilfully Murdred himſelf) fully Detected.

THE *Popiſh* Faction are ſo unwearied in ſpawning their Curſed Plots and Intreagues, that they thereby ſhew themſelves to be the true Children of their Father the Devil, who continually goes about to do miſchief; neither can all the Diſappointments which Divine Providence has given them, deter them from proſecuting their Villanies, though ſome of their Contrivances are ſo ſilly and ridiculous, that if they were not miſerably infatuated, they would never have the confidence to imagine they could Impoſe them upon Proteſtants; and of this ſort is the New Sham Diſcovery, concerning Sir *Edmondbury Godfrey*, of which take the following brief Account.

The Papiſts and the Earl of *Danby*, finding themſelves charged afreſh with the Horrid and Barbarous Murther of that worthy Gentleman, by the Evidence of Mr. *Fitz-Harris*, and two or three other Perſons whoſe Pardons are deſired, and are now under his Majeſties Conſideration, and no queſtion will be granted, ſince his Majeſty is reſolved to ſearch into the bottom of the horrid Popiſh Plot, and likewiſe into the Murder of that honeſt Proteſtant Juſtice of Peace, who was ſo far from being a Fanatick or Factious Diſſenter, with which Title many Perſons are now unjuſtly branded, that he was known to be an earneſt and zealous Aſſertor of the Doctrine and Diſcipline of the Church of *England*, as it is Eſtabliſhed by Law.

Now to prevent any further Diſcovery and dreading that Flood of Evidence which they fear is ready to come in againſt them: The Earl of *Danby* and the Popiſh Lords, with the aſſiſtance of the generous Madam *Celier*, and the *Newgate* Prieſts and Jeſuites, contrived to engage one *Macgraſt*, an *Iriſh* Fool in their ſervice, who pretending to be a Proteſtant, was the Agent between theſe Lords, carrying Meſſages from the one to the other, and at laſt after ſome private Conſultations between the Earl of *Danby* and *Macgraſt* in

in the *Tower*; the Lord *Danby* sent for the Lord *Allington* Constable of the Tower, and told him, That it would be made appear Sir *Edmondbury Godfrey* Murdered himself, and that his Brothers was not ignorant of it, and that he was left in that condition and Posture the *Grand Jury* found him, that it might thereby seem he had been murdered by some others, whereby his Brothers might have his Estate; and his Lordship therefore thought fit, that the person who could Evidence the Truth of this, should be carried before one of his Majesties Secretaries of State, or before the Council to be Examined.

Hereupon the Lord *Allington*, according to the Duty of his place, brought this *Macgarff* before one of the Secretaries, who upon Examination finding great reason to suspect him for a Cheat and Impostor, he thereupon Ordered a Messenger to take him into Custody, and to keep him close till next day, when the Council was to sit: While *Macgarff* was in the Messengers hands, he desired his Friends might come to him, and that he might have liberty to write, both which the Messenger thought fit to deny him; but *Macgarf* insisting, That he would only write a Letter to the Secretary of State, the Messenger allowed him Pen, Ink and Paper, wherewith he writ two Letters, one to Mr. Secretary, and another to Mris. *Cellier* in *Newgate*, and sent them away, which the Messenger being aware of, seized upon the Person that carried them, in the Street, and took the Letters from him, and immediately carryed them both to Mr. Secretary.

*Macgarff* being brought before the Council, insisted very much upon what he had said before, That Sir *Edmondbury Godfrey* murthered himself, *&c*, but being interrogated several Questions; as, Whether he knew any of the Lords in the *Tower*, the Earl of *Danby*, or the Priests in *Newgate*? he absolutely denyed he had any acquaintance with any of them, or ever saw any but the Earl of *Danby*. At last being asked, whether he knew Mris. *Cellier*, or had ever seen her, or corresponded with her by Letters? He like a true Papist, utterly denied it.

Whereupon Mr. Secretary produced the Letter against him under his own hand, which so startled him, That he at last owned he knew Mris. *Cellier*, and that it was his own Hand-Writing. After which he was ordered to be searcht, and there was found in his Pocket a Letter from Mrs. *Celier*, wherein she earnestly exhorts him to go on, in managing that Generous Affair wherein he was engaged.

This clear Discovery and Detection of his Villany, did so absolutely confound *Macgruff*, that it extorted from him an ingenious Confession: That he was put upon this cursed Intreague by the Instigation of the Earl of *Danby*, Mrs. *Celier*, the *Popish Lords*, and *PRIESTS*. The Substance of his Letter to Mrs *Celier* which was intercepted was, That he had taken her advice, and had lodged the business in the Secretaries Hands, and had informed him of the matter, and hoped it would have a good effect, and desired further Instructions how to proceed in the business.

After a full Examination of the whole matter, *Macgarff* entred into Recognizance to make his appearance when he was called for: And what further proceedings will be made therein a short time will discover.

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